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Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, 1876, with transcript

Letter from Miss Mabel Hubbard to Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. Sconset, Tuesday Evening. My dear Alec:

I have only two or three moments in which to thank you for two letters, one received yesterday and dated July 27th. the other came tonight was dated 25th. and postmarked Philadelphia.

I am so glad to hear from you once more, we do seem a long way off, fortunately this is my last letter from Sconset. Miss Eliot and I leave here a quarter before six. I am very sorry to leave here and Cousin Mary they have been so kind and I love them all very much. I wish there was a chance of your liking her as I do.

Mrs. Lander has left but I sent the letter after her to Mrs. Fisher, No. 2 Bulfinch St., Boston. Mrs. Flagg thought that her address. I am so glad the wedding passed off so nicely and that the presents were satisfactory please thank your Mother for her kind note.

Everyone is going to bed and I must not keep C. Mary waiting.

With much love, Yours, May.

In the Cars — Cousin Mary thought I had best be my own post as I am going a days journey nearer you. We have just left Middleboro where Miss Eliot changed cars and now I am alone within near one hour's ride of Boston.

I meant to send you a letter from Aunt Fannie. She says Willie was very sick at one time. He is convalescent now, but very weak unable to sit up. He has little endurance and his recovery will be very slow. He has been quite himself all the time but he was asleep most

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of the time. Harry cannot go camping but they want you to come and see them and make a little trip together. Go if you can.

You have heard of Mr. Bjortsberg have you not?

Aunt Fanny is a strong woman.

I had a letter from Mamma, so sadly full of deaths among our friends, Miss Hodge daughter of Mr. Frederick Hodge and first assistant in Mr. Gales School. She has taught me most all I know of English and German Revolutionary history. Then Mrs. Lane, Gardiner Lane's mother. Mrs. Lane too is sick and the children cough badly.

My pocket-book is my only desk and does not do very well so I must stop. I mail this in B. so you will know I arrive safely.

It is very pleasant, not too warm.